

This phamplet about MURDOCHS was given to the editor of the MURDOCH MESSENGER by Phil Rasmussen who said he received it from Ruby Murdoch Hooper. It tells of Murdochs in Scotland where our family came from.

The Murdochs.



THE Murdochs have been resident in the parish from a very early date, and to several of them we are indebted for many of the improvements which had taken place during the end of last century, as well as in the present. It appears that they have nearly all sprung from the same branch of Murdochs, as their burial places are nearly all contiguous to each other. Many of their gravestones are very old, but there are no names on them with the exception of the initials and date, such as "A.M. M.C., 1681," "J.M., J.F., 1742," and several others. About forty years ago, one of the Murdochs of Commondyke was the originator of Murdoch & Aitken, the engineers in Hill Street, Glasgow, who have turned out so many engines to every quarter of the globe as to bring that firm into repute. None of that family now survive, but several nephews and nieces are still in the place. "Old Commondyke," the father of Murdoch, the engineer, died nearly fifty years ago at a great age. At one time he commenced a colliery on the farm of Glenshamrock, his son supplying him with an engine; but it turned out a failure, although it is now a prosperous work with the Gilmilnsroft Coal Company. There was a James Murdoch in Raw (now Blackston), who also died about fifty years ago, his ancestors having been in that farm for several generations. Several of his grandchildren and great-grandchildren are still in the neighbourhood, and some of them have carried on the building trade in Cumnock for some time past. There was also another branch of the family in High Park — Robert Murdoch, carrier, a brother to "Raw," who died aged 86 years. We believe none of his descendants are now in the parish. High Park stood where the railway bridge crosses the Birnieknowe Road. There was also the Murdochs in Pighall or North Auchengibert, several of whose descendants are still in the place. There was also a David Murdoch in Highhouse, who also kept an Alehouse in his time. As the Highhouse stands in a line with the wall of the church yard, many of those attending church from the country brought their dinner of "mashlam scones," and such other food as was common in those days, and went into the Highhouse, during the interval between sermons, and got a bicker or stoup of stout yill for a penny. Old

BIOGRAPHY OF JAMES ALLEN LINDSAY



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James (Jim) Allen Lindsay was born August 8, 1950 to John A. and Iela Beverly Himes Lindsay Jr. in Park City, Utah. He attended schools in Park City and graduated from Park City High School.

Then Jim attended Brigham Young University for two years. Served a mission in England (British South Mission) for two years. After returning home from his mission his occupation was a carpenter and cement finisher.

On January 20, 1978 he married Diana Sather in the Ogden Temple. His daughter, Julie, was born in Cedar City, Utah January 3, 1979. His wife died of cancer.

Jim has since graduated from Utah Technical College with an accounting degree. He is presently studying for the C.P.A. exam. He resides in Salt Lake City with his parents and daughter.

We appreciate all the time and effort Jim has gone to the past two years in keeping the finances of the Murdoch family. It has been a large task with the sale of the book but Jim has been equal to the task. Thanks Jim.

FORMER FAMILY PRESIDENT

CALLED TO PRESIDE OVER OHIO MISSION

R. PHILLIP RASMUSSEN

R. Phillip Rasmussen, 54, is a high counselor in the Salt Lake City Stake.

He was born in Magna, Utah, to Lorin Neils and Anna Leide Phillips Rasmussen. He married Donna Irene Mulcock May 22, 1947 in the Salt Lake Temple. They are parents of four children.

Pres. Rasmussen attended the University of Utah before beginning a business career that led to his current position as president of Ariseo in Salt Lake City. He has served as counselor in a stake presidency, high counselor, bishop and elders quorum president.

Sister Rasmussen was born in Salt Lake City, a daughter of Francis William and Alta Maud Derrick Mulcock. She is the missionary activation leader in the Holladay 20th Ward Relief Society, and has served as homemaking leader, Relief Society president, Young Women president, counselor in a Relief Society presidency and Sunday School, Young Women and Primary teacher.

Phil also served the James Murdoch Family Organization as Fund Chairman for the book. He even loaned us \$5000.00 to pay the publisher on time which we are happy to say has since been paid.



Pres. and Sister R. Phillip Rasmussen